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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on November 21, 2003 in connection with the above-identified patent application, please enter the following amendments and consider the following arguments. This response is timely filed with a Petition for Extension of time for three months with necessary fees and is concurrently filed with the filing of a Notice of Appeal with required fees to keep this application pending.

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